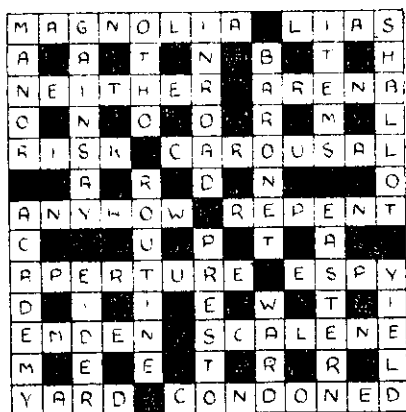


"THE LISTENER" CROSSWORD

(Solution to No. 474)



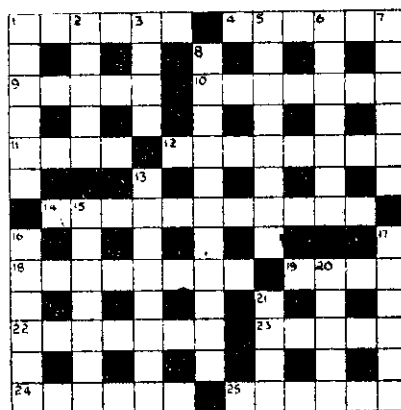
Clues Across

1. Is it far, Tom? Yes, in a way.
4. Found in what gives me arsenical poisoning.
9. "And my large kingdom for a little —, A little little —, an obscure —," ("Richard II," Act 3, Scene 3.)
10. Disastrous.
11. Kill for hops.
12. Unpleasant form of flattery (4, 4).
14. Enter and detain in confusion.
18. A ball game.
19. This dog co-starred with William Powell and Myrna Loy.
22. Birthplace of Napoleon.
23. May be found on a helmet, a head, a coat of arms, or a wave.
24. "Its feet were tied With a — thread of my own hand's weaving," (Keats)
25. The ray is vigorous.

Clues Down

1. Bundle of sticks.
2. All are said to lead to Rome.
3. Countenance.
5. Keep up.
6. Clay toe (anag.).
7. "For there is no friend like a — In calm or stormy weather," ("Goblin Market," Christina Rossetti.)
8. Train parole (anag.).
13. Usually found at the top of the page.
15. Real nut (anag.).
16. "When the hounds of spring are on winter's —," (Swinburne.)
17. Here you see a friend make an attempt — even if it is contemptible.
20. Spare weapon?
21. Sometimes found after the first half of 13 down, try an aspirin for it.

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in search of Mudface the Turtle, "who lived before the Flood."

Spike the hedgehog searches for his lost master in *The Idle Gardener*, by Frances Berrill, another book from the Oxford University Press (English price, 6/-), intended for children aged 6-10. All the other creatures of the garden come into the story before the gardener is found, and the text is well illustrated in black and white and colour.

Bear, Goat, Owl and Ostrich have another series of adventures in the sunny forest in *Back to the Marble Mountain* (Oxford University Press. English price, 6/-), the second of an animal series by Hugh Gardner. Children aged 6 to 10 should like the gaiety and zest of the story, with its whimsical illustrations by Kiddell-Monroe.

For parents who can afford the best in book production for their very small children nothing could be better than *Winkie, the Grey Squirrel*, by Albra Pratten (Oxford University Press. English price, 6/-). Delightful colour illustrations enliven the story of a pet squirrel and his adventures with the family who bring him up from babyhood.

A very amusing story is told in *The Educated Pig*, written and drawn by Monica Walker (Oxford University Press. English price, 5/-). Pig goes to school, wins a scholarship to Oxbridge University, has his life story filmed and sees the sights of London before returning in homesickness to the farm where he was born.

Two new publications in a series of excellent cheap readers for very young

children are *The Red House and Camping Out*, both written by Gertrude Keir and illustrated in colour by Carolin Jackson (Oxford University Press. English price, 1/6).



ZB book reviewers will specialise in holiday reading on January 1. Isobel Andrews (pictured above) will review "The Laird and the Lady," by Joan Grant. Frank Sargeson will discuss "High Valley," by George Johnston and Charmian Clift, and John Morris "The Loud Red Patrick," by Ruth McKenny. The other two books on the list are "Castle Gillian," by Maurice Walsh (Norman Berrow), and "The Widows of the Magistrate" by Keith West (Nelle Scanlan). Peter Green will compere the session

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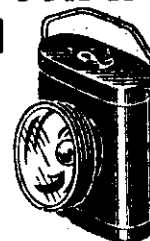
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